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Initiative	Status	Progress	Status	Progress	Status	Progress	Status
Human Capital	R	Y	G	R ↓	G	(Y) ↑	G
Competitive Sourcing	R	Y	G	G	(Y) ↓	R ↓	G
Financial Performance	R	Y	R	G	R	G	G
E-Government	Y	G	Y	Y	Y	Y	G
Budget/Perf. Integration	R	Y	G	G	G	G	G
Real Property	NA	NA	Y	G	Y	G	Y
Eliminating Improper Payments	NA	NA	Y	G	Y	G	Y
Faith-based and Community Initiative	NA	NA	G	G	G	G	G
Improved Credit Program Management	NA	NA	R	Y	R	R ↓	Y

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HUMAN CAPITAL		Comprehensive human capital plan _√ developed, etc. on Q1 FY07 _√ results analyzed & used Q4 FY05 Organizational structures _√ current structure analyzed and restructuring begun Q1 FY02		 Actions Taken Since March 31st, 2007 Submitted bench strength and leadership competency results for PTB IV. Completed transfer of FS Regions 1 and 4 to Empower HR. Continued to implement expanded beta site 	USDA will remain green for status but be upgraded to yellow in progress. USDA will be downgraded to red for progress if they do not submit national and state NRCS structure reports that are acceptable to both
Agency Lead:	Green	_√ structure in place & addressing future challenges Q3 FY06 Succession strategies	Yellow	 improvement plan. Submitted updated GAP Analysis and Improvement Plan for IT by May 1, 2007. 	OPM and OMB. The submitted Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) structure reports do not contain the required
Boyd Rutherford, Assistant, Secretary for Administration		 √ succession plan approved Q4 FY06 √ continuously updated talent pool assured Q3 FY07 Performance appraisal plans adhere to merit system principles, etc. √ SES & mgrs. Q3 FY04 √ beta site completed Q1 FY07 	1	 Submitted required Improve the Hiring Deliverables Submitted Measure Results Report for closing competency gaps in MCOs for agency specific, leadership, and HRM, including required charts. Submitted update on Accountability System 	The Forest Service (FS) Region 2 did not transfer to Empower HR or submit the required set of deliverables for their structure report.
Lead RMO Examiner:				 activities. Submitted Action Plan addressing FHCS results. NRCS resubmitted their National structure report and FS provided a draft menu of organizational options. 	The Farm Service Agency (FSA) did not provide an adequate explanation of what will be achieved using a contractor to complete their structure report. FSA has not gotten MIDAS off the
Kristi Kubista- Hovis		_ reduced & established process to sustain diversity Q4 FY05 Skill gaps _ workforce planning system implemented Q1 FY03 _ identifies and sets competency targets Q4		 Planned Actions for Q4 FY 2007 Provide revised NRCS headquarters and state structure report and begin implementing. Complete transfer of FS 2 & 5 to Empower HR. Send a copy of FSA contractor organizational 	management watch list. Planned Actions for Q4 FY 2007 (continued) Submits competency gap targets and staffing
OPM HC Officer: Lynn Matherly		FY06 ✓ significant reduction in mission critical occupation gaps Q3 FY07 ✓ meets competency gap targets Q3 FY07 Improve Hiring ✓ collects data and sets standard Q4 FY06 ✓ meets standard Q3 FY07 ✓ meets target for improvement Q3 FY07		 study plan for national office and state office structures. Submit Progress report for IT competency gaps including updated MCO resource table and brief narrative of progress toward meeting planned deliverables. Submit Gap Analysis report and Improvement Plan for Acquisition Occupation. 	 projections for agency-specific MCOs and HRM positions including MCO resource and competency profile tables. Report the agency's strategy for implementing the Annual Employee Survey (AES). Provide evidence the agency is operating and hiring in a Career Patterns
		Accountability system and reviews _\sqrt{system} developed Q4 FY06 _\sqrt{system} conducts reviews & takes corrective action Q4 FY06 _\sqrt{provides annual report Q1 FY07}		 Submit Hiring Improvement strategy, quarterly hiring timeline chart. Complete FY07 accountability audits Provide the following FS organization structure deliverables: updated organizational criteria, analysis of program workload, efficiencies, and needs. 	 Provide projected accountability audit schedule for FY08.

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HUMAN CAPITAL		Comprehensive human capital plan _\(\) developed, etc. on Q1 FY07 _\(\) results analyzed & used Q4 FY05 Organizational structures _\(\) current structure analyzed and		 Actions Taken Since March 31st, 2007 Submitted bench strength and leadership competency results for PTB IV. Completed transfer of FS Regions 1 and 4 to Empower HR. Continued to implement FSA expanded beta site 	USDA will remain green for status and be upgraded to yellow for progress. The following is a list of missed deliverables: The Forest Service (FS) Region 2 did not transfer to Empower HR. The FS did not submit a list of interim
Agency Lead:	Green	restructuring begun Q1 FY02 structure in place & addressing future challenges Q3 FY06 Succession strategies	Yellow •	 improvement plan and report on status. Submitted updated GAP Analysis and Improvement Plan for IT by May 1, 2007. 	strategies to manage current WO&RO workload, or a draft Leadership Action Plan. The Farm Service Agency (FSA) did not provide an adequate explanation of what will be achieved using a
Boyd Rutherford, Assistant, Secretary for		√ succession plan approved Q4 FY06 √ continuously updated talent pool assured Q3 FY07 Performance appraisal plans adhere to merit system principles, etc.	T	 Submitted required Improve the Hiring Deliverables Submitted Measure Results Report for closing competency gaps in MCOs for agency specific, leadership, and HRM, including required charts. Submitted update on Accountability System 	contractor to complete their structure report. FSA has not gotten MIDAS off the management watch list. The submitted Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) structure reports do not contain the required information necessary for an efficiency review.
Administration		$\frac{}{}$ SES & mgrs. Q3 FY04 $\frac{}{}$ beta site completed Q1 FY07 $\frac{}{}$ 60%+ of agency Q4 FY05 $\frac{}{}$ beta site expanded Q1 FY07		activities. Submitted Action Plan addressing FHCS results. NRCS resubmitted their National structure report. Continued implementation of accountability system.	USDA will be downgraded to red for progress if they do not submit national and state NRCS structure reports that are acceptable to both OPM and OMB.
Lead RMO Examiner:		Under representation $\underline{}$ implemented strategies to address Q4 FY03 $\underline{}$ reduced & established process to sustain		 FS provided required a draft menu of organizational options. Planned Actions for Q4 FY 2007 	OMB commends the FS for creating a detailed set of organizational options. The information submitted to OMB does not provide a clear plan of action with specific deliverables and accountable leadership personnel, however, and OMB request FS to please
Kristi Kubista- Hovis		diversity Q4 FY05 Skill gaps √ workforce planning system implemented Q1 FY03 √ identifies and sets competency targets Q4 FY06		 Provide revised NRCS headquarters and state structure report and begin implementing. Complete transfer of FS 2 & 5 to Empower HR. If court order prevents migration, provide document explaining what FS is doing to mitigate court order. 	submit documents containing this information as soon as possible if available. FSA requested to begin a new organizational study using a contractor with a targeted study completion of March 2008 and implementation beginning Q1 FY 08. OMB and OPM agree under condition of more
OPM HC Officer:		_√ significant reduction in mission critical occupation gaps Q3 FY07 _√ meets competency gap targets Q3 FY07 _Improve Hiring		 Send a copy of FSA contractor organizational study plan for national office and state office structures. Submit Progress report for IT competency gaps including updated MCO resource table and brief 	explicit objectives, tightened timelines and implementation, contractor is on board in July, provides study plan September 1, 2007, and a copy furnished to OMB and OPM for Q4 deliverable.
Lynn Matherly		ollects data and sets standard Q4 FY06 weets standard Q3 FY07 meets target for improvement Q3 FY07 Accountability system and reviews system developed Q4 FY06 conducts reviews & takes corrective action Q4 FY06 provides annual report Q1 FY07		narrative of progress toward meeting planned deliverables. Submit Gap Analysis report and Improvement Plan for Acquisition Occupation. Submit Hiring Improvement strategy, quarterly hiring timeline chart. Complete FY07 accountability audits Provide the following FS organization structure deliverables: updated organizational criteria, analysis of program workload, efficiencies, and needs.	Planned Actions for Q4 FY 2007 (continued) Submits competency gap targets and staffing projections for agency-specific MCOs and HRM positions including MCO resource and competency profile tables. Report the agency's strategy for implementing the Annual Employee Survey (AES). Provide evidence the agency is operating and hiring in a Career Patterns environment. Provide projected accountability audit schedule for FY08.

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COMPETITIVE SOURCING Agency Lead: Charles R. Christopherson Jr. Chief Financial Officer Jon Holladay Acting Associate Chief Financial Officer Lead RMO Examiner: Joe Montoni Lead OFPP Analyst: Mathew Blum	Yellow Next ↑ est. by Q4 FY07	Approved competition plan	Red 🗼	 Actions Taken Since March 31st, 2007: Prepared a common set of talking points to brief Congressional staff regarding the OCIO IT Study Continued to conduct regular program/performance reviews to ensure that studies are appropriately planned and executed and savings and performance targets are met and efficiencies achieved. OCFO completed two feasibility studies (see comment section). Planned Actions for Q4 FY 2007: Announce the results of the OCFO Financial Management Modernization Initiative competition. Announce results of web-posting and photography services competition. Conduct the following feasibility studies: Forest Service –	USDA receives a downgrade in status and progress this quarter for failing to announce two competitions in accordance with the Department's green plan. OCIO Department-wide IT Study was not announced because USDA concluded it was not feasible to proceed in light of restrictions on RDA and farm loan programs. OCFO delayed a competition scheduled for announcement during this quarter. USDA has delayed issuance of final decision on web-posting and photography services competition pending analysis of potential restriction on use of competition at Forest Service.

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Financial Performance Agency Lead:		GREEN STANDARDS Meets all yellow standards (Q1 FY09) Uses financial info to drive results in key areas (Q1 FY10)	Green	 Actions Taken Since March 31, 2007: Notified OMB of 2 ADA violations: Forest Service exceeded by \$18M its apportionment for aviation resources for fire suppression. Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) 	USDA remains Red for status and Green for progress. USDA has 2 repeat auditor-reported material weaknesses and 4 FMFIA weaknesses. • USDA is making progress as
Charles Christopherson, Jr. Chief Financial Officer	Next↑ est. by Q1 FY09	Expands routine data use (Q1 FY10) FFMIA compliance reported (Q1 FY10) No repeat material auditor-reported internal control weaknesses (Q1 FY10) No repeat material weaknesses in FMFIA Sec. 2 OFR and Sec. 4 (Q1FY10) YELLOW STANDARDS ✓ Clean annual audit (9/30/02)		violated its charter act by donating non-fat dry milk (NDM) to a private mill and used \$580K CCC funds not apportioned to transport NDM. Completed A-123 documentation and test plans for 5 of 8 mission areas. All Appendix A milestones completed. Continued Financial Data Integration Improvement (FDIP) Green Plan activities. Completed key milestones for County Offices, Financial Accounting & Reporting, Funds Control, and IT material weaknesses. Briefed OMB on progress for corrective actions plans (CAP) to resolve FY06 PAR deficiencies (auditor, FMFIA, & FFMIA).	planned and expects to close its Financial Accounting and Reporting auditor-reported material weakness this fiscal year. USDA expects to report resolving the remaining IT Security and Controls auditor weakness in the FY09 PAR. Progress for resolving FMFIA weaknesses is contingent upon the modernization of Farm Program Systems. • OMB will continue to work with USDA on its corrective action plans, improving internal controls, and using financial data to drive
Lead RMO Examiner: Kathleen Cahill Lead OFFM Analyst: William Mea		 ✓ Meets reporting deadlines (<2001) ✓ No chronic or significant Anti-Deficiency Act Violations (9/30/02) _ No more than one repeat material auditor-reported internal control weakness (Q1FY08) ✓ No material non-compliance with laws or regulations (9/30/04) _ No more than one repeat material weakness in either FMFIA Sec. 2 OFR or Sec. 4 (Q1FY09) 		 Planned Actions for Q4 FY 2007: Provide draft PAR management assurance section to OMB by 9/7/07. Submit letters to the President and Congress as required by the ADA. Complete corrective actions for FY06 PAR deficiencies and actions in Proud To Be. Submit component-level Certification Statements and CAPs for material weaknesses identified for A-123. Work with new areas to implement FDIP measures, establish baselines and targets. Submit Q3 FY 2007 financial statements. Continue Financial Management Modernization Initiative (FMMI) acquisition process. 	 USDA can maintain its Green progress rating by continuing to take actions resolve weaknesses and by achieving its Proud To Be V milestones. NRCS is proceeding with activities to allow for a full stand alone audit for FY2008. In addition, NRCS is reviewing significant obligated balances to improve timeliness of de-obligations. NRCS is reviewing obligation processes to improve funds control.

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E-Government Agency Lead: Jerry Williams Acting Chief Information Officer Lead RMO Examiner: Kristi Kubista- Hovis Lead IT/E-Gov Analyst: Jasmeet Seehra	Yellow Next ↑ est. by Q4 FY08	Enterprise Architecture X Has 4 in Completion and 3 in both Use and Results sections (Q207) (G) X Has 4 in Completion and 3 in Use or Results sections (Q206) (Y) Acceptable business cases for major systems X for more than 50% (Q207) for all on () Cost/schedule/performance adherence for major IT X overruns/shortfalls < 30% (12-31-04) EVMS shows overruns/ shortfalls <10% (Q408) Security of all IT systems X 80% secured or IG verifies effectiveness (Y) (9-30-04) IG or Agency Head verifies effective & rates certification as Satisfactory (G) E-Gov implementation X has process & plan (6-30-07) X has implemented (6-30-07) MAINTAINING GREEN all IT systems secure IT systems installed in accordance with security configurations Privacy Impact Statements for 90% of applicable systems 90% of systems w/personally ID info have system of records	Yellow	 Actions Taken Since March 31st, 2007 USDA has submitted their quarterly FISMA report. USDA has 5 business cases on the management watch list. USDA posted 100% of their discretionary grant applications to grants.gov Planned Actions for Q4 FY 2007 Continue to post 100% of the discretionary grant applications to grants.gov Continue remediation activities to improve 07 business cases on the Management Watch list. Provide OMB with the status of each investment on the Management Watch list. Submit quarterly FISMA report. Submit a quarterly high-risk report as required by OMB M05-23. Agencies should submit a draft Exhibit 53 by no later than August 6, 2007, through ITWeb. Agency Senior Agency Official for Privacy certifies compliance with the requirements of OMB memorandum M-07-16. (This can be done as an email to the RMO) 	 USDA will maintain yellow for status, and yellow for progress. USDA will not meet their Q307 Proud to Be goal due to not meeting the "green" standard for security. USDA indicates in their PTB5 draft that they will not be green until Q4FY08. USDA remains yellow for the security criteria due to security methodology question concerns from the IG. In addition to MIDAS, the additional business cases on the management watch list had a category B apportionment footnote place on them this spring. To meet the green status standards for EVM, USDA must meet all requirements in OMB Memorandum M-04-24 and meet with Karen Evans Before this meeting can be scheduled, USDA must provide information to demonstrate full implementation of EVM for major systems development, the use of EVM data by senior leadership for management and program oversight, and how actual performance is within 10% of goals.

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Budget & Performance Integration Agency Lead: Scott Steele Lead RMO Examiner: Noah Engelberg Lead BPI Analyst: James Hurban	Improved results/use of perf info X_ performance info used (ongoing) X_ plan in place to improve performance (ongoing) achieves plan (G+) Strategic and annual plans X_ limited # of goals & use PART measures (9/03) X_ AND focus on info used in senior mgmt. report (ongoing) Cost of achieving performance goals X_ full cost reported (9/03) X_ AND marginal cost reported (9/03) uses marginal cost analysis to inform resource allocations (date) (G+) At least one efficiency measure per PARTed program X_ for ≥50% (6/30/04) X_ for all (6/30/06) Use of PART ratings X_ to justify requests, etc. and hole program managers accountable (9/0- X_ direct improvements justify requests, etc. (9/06) % of PARTed programs rated Resul Not Demonstrated for 2 yrs in a row X_ less than 10% (12/06) (G) X_ no more than 50% (date) (9/04)	Green	 Actions Taken Since March 31st, 2007 USDA completed all 10 of its PARTS for the current fiscal year. The 2nd Quarterly report was provided to the Deputy Secretary and Subcabinet officials. USDA developed and distributed Internal Scorecard for the third quarter of FY 2007. USDA referenced PARTS where appropriate in testimony and Q's &A's. Planned Actions for Q4 FY 2007 USDA will work with OMB to revise Budget numbers for all PARTs. USDA will finalize performance data in order to keep Green. USDA will submit its FY 2009 budget, in total and for all agencies on time. The USDA submission will be at the target level and supported by sound and thorough analysis and performance data. Agencies with green status will demonstrate that they meet the Maintaining Green criteria and provide examples of improved performance and the management steps taken to achieve that improvement on "results.gov." 	 USDA maintains its green for status and green for progress. To maintain its green status, USDA must continue to meet the specified milestones agreed to in the Forest Service efficiency measure document that helps guide the agency to create an acceptable efficiency measure. USDA agencies are expected to provide requested evidence and support necessary in determining PART answers. USDA will continue to work with OMB to develop a new schedule for on-going reporting of WIC performance and budget data. In addition to regular monthly performance data reporting, USDA will provide a complete re-estimate of WIC funding needs an additional three times per year. USDA needs to ensure that the list of agency program managers is current for all PARTS.

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Real Property Agency Lead:	• Asset management plan (AMP) _√_ in place by <u>Q2 '06</u> _√_ consistent with Federal Real Property Council (FRPC) standards by <u>Q2 '06</u>	 Actions Taken Since March 31, 2007 Analyzed the FY 06 baseline performance measure data and established interim year targets and out-year goals. Expanded the disposal list based on the 	USDA remains Yellow in status and is Green for Progress. USDA was able to successfully provide all agreed-upon deliverables this quarter. • USDA submitted required data on
Boyd Rutherford, Assistant Secretary for Administration	Yellow OMB-approved by Q2 '06 3 year timeline for meeting plan goals/objectives by Q2 '07 evidence that plan is being implemented to achieve improved real property management by Q4 '07 est. by Q2 '08 • Accurate and current inventory	 availability of additional information developed through analysis of performance data Submitted disposal actions to be completed in FY 07. Completed strategy for reducing the backlog of deferred maintenance. Provided comments on the DOL initiated draft Interagency Agreement to update 	both excess assets and assets available for sale. OMB has asked agencies to capture the real property unique identification number of assets available for sale and operating costs for both excess and for sale assets. • USDA is beginning the
Haggstrom, Real Property Officer Lead RMO	 ✓ in place by Q3 '04 ✓ consistent with FRPC standards by Q3 '04 ✓ provided to govtwide real property database by Q1 '07 used in daily management decision-making by Q2 '08 	management of CCC properties. • Reported required data in compliance with FRPC data call in support of Section 408 (DC Lands Act) reporting. Planned Actions for Q4 FY 2007 • Meet all milestones in the Proud to Be 5	implementation of a coordinated strategy to manage the agencies deferred maintenance backlog. Meeting the identified milestones in both the deferred maintenance strategy and the three year timeline are critical next steps in demonstrating continued progress.
Examiner: John Pasquantino Lead OFFM Analyst: Angela	 Real property performance measures √ in place by Q3 '04 √ consistent with FRPC standards by Q1 '06 _ used in daily management decision-making by Q2 '08 Evidence that real property management is consistent with agency 	 and three year timeline document. Complete any necessary revisions to CPAIS to meet FRPC FY 07 guidance and FRPP reporting. Implement deferred maintenance strategy and report on efforts to expand CPAIS to capture work functions (agency implementation plans will be due Q1 '08). Provide OMB with final draft IA on Job 	USDA is working, in coordination and collaboration with DOL and DOI, to update the Interagency Agreement which guides the management of Civilian Conservation Centers utilized for training under the Job Corps program.
Donatelli	strategic plan, AMP, and performance measures by Q2 '08	 Corps, highlighting any remaining areas of interagency disagreement. Expand the USDA data validation and verification protocols to ensure that data captured in CPAIS (and agency systems) is accurate and that data is successfully transferred to the FRPP. Establish FY 08 disposal target (number and value). 	USDA will reach a green status upon 1) demonstration of agency-wide use of real property data to drive decisions related the acquisition, utilization, and disposal of real property assets and 2) presentation of a report on costs, condition, utilization and disposal of real property assets

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Eliminating Improper Payments Agency Lead: Charles Christopherson, Jr. Chief Financial Officer Lead RMO Examiner: Kathleen Cahill Lead OFFM Analyst: Sally Clark Beecroft	Yellow Next ↑ est. by Q3'08	 _√_ Risk assessment in place that identifies all risk susceptible programs by Q3 '05 (Y) _√_ Measurement plan for risk susceptible programs in place and OMB-approved by Q3 '05 (Y) √_ Corrective action plan with OMB-approved reduction targets in place by Q3 '05 (Y) √_ Meets reporting requirements as of Q1 '05 (Y) Evidence that improper payment reduction targets are being met by Q3'08 (G) Recovery targets in place and evidence that targets are being met by Q3'08 (G) 	Green	 Actions Taken Since March 31, 2007 Submitted FY07 corrective action plans and error rates for 4 of 6 agencies accounting for 4 of 15 high risk programs. Provided status update briefing for OMB on the results of the enhanced internal controls for the Farm Service Agency programs (to demonstrate improvement in the programs that reported the large increases in improper payments in the FY06 PAR.) Food Stamp Program error rate increased slightly to 5.99% from 5.84% but is not considered statistically significant. Planned Actions for Q4 FY 2007 Submit remaining corrective action plan for Farm Service Agency/ Commodity Credit Corp. programs and Food and Nutrition Service programs, as well as the draft of the IPIA portion of the PAR. Submit a written determination for each reporting program as to whether or not recovery targets are applicable. Work with OMB and USDA OGC to determine whether Marketing Assistance Loan Program lien searches performed before the loan application date represent improper payments. Provide update to OMB on FY07 recovery auditing efforts. 	 USDA will maintain yellow for status, and green for progress. USDA needs to provide timely updates to OMB when internal USDA timelines change impacting deliverables listed in the PTB and/or scorecard. Critical next step: to demonstrate that the documentation and internal control failures at the field level have been corrected. School Lunch/Breakfast programs will report in the FY07 PAR. WIC and CACFP reported component rates in the FY06 PAR, and will report additional component rates in the FY07 PAR. Rural Development submitted legislation allowing access to the new hire database and IRS data to improve the operation of the multi-family housing program. OMB put this legislation on hold until resolution is reached on issues of access to IRS data with the Pell grant program. The FSA corrective action plans were delayed due to conducting staff training and use of internal rather than contractor staff to measure, report, and correct errors. The Food Stamp CAP remains unchanged from last year. 2 of 4 programs reflected error rates higher than targets. Significant amount of errors are related to missing documentation which
					agencies continue to pursue, that may lead to reductions in error rates.

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Faith-based and Community Initiative	Coordinated outreach & technical assistance X developed comprehensive strategy employing 6 of 10 best practices X fully implemented, employing all 10 best practices	 Actions Taken Since March 31st, 2007 Successfully completed all deliverables in accordance with its planned actions set forth in its Proud To Be IV Goals. Most notable, Evaluation of Pilot Programs: Three evaluations completed, and three evaluations in progress. 	USDA will maintain green for status, and green for progress. Ongoing Deliverables All relevant agencies and staff office will continue to: conduct outreach and technical
Agency Lead: Therese Lyons	 Barrier free access <u>x</u> taken steps to ensure barrier free access including 6 of 10 best practices <u>x</u> monitors State compliance, including all 10 best practices, addresses violations promptly Participation by FBOs/CBOs 	 Prepared a target list of programs for Fiscal Year 2008 for both discretionary and formula and block grant accounts to expand grassroots efforts Planned Actions for Q4 FY 2007: CSREES, FAS, FNS, RD will make first submission of FY 2007 data on federal 	 assistance activities both in person and via websites to engage more FBCOs in USDA programs and to assist them in carrying out their work more effectively. provide funding data and other information to WHOFBCI as
Lead OMB Examiner: Jennifer Bell	 x established procedures to collect data on participation in select programs x collects accurate and timely data, working to expand collection to formula programs and make data available to the public. Pilot Projects x projects implemented x expands the use of pilots to test new strategies when appropriate Evaluation x has reported outcome-based evaluations of existing pilot projects. x builds outcome-based evaluations into new pilots, reports progress to WHOFBCI in a timely manner and 	discretionary award programs. CSREES will continue its work on assessing the role that faith-based and community organizations play as partners in its Children, Youth and Families at Risk program FAS in collaboration with USDA FBCI staff office will develop an informational webbased tool (e.g., FAQ's, list of resources available) to educate faith-based and community organizations on federally-funded Food Aid programs. FNS will fund a third FBCI pilot program featuring a new partnership between a State agency and a faith-based or community-based organization through its Food Stamp Program Participation Grant program. RD will sponsor the first of two regional	requested. submit "Stories of Lives Transformed" to USDA FBCI. carry-out program and evaluation activities for all approved pilot projects. NOTE The FNS pilot program is dependent upon receiving an eligible and quality application in the FY 2007 grant competition so that funds may be awarded. The RFA for that competition included language encouraging a new partnership between a State agency and a faith- based or community-based
	 considers the initiative in designing broader evaluations. Individual Choice identifies candidate grant programs for expansion of individual choice, and develops and has begun to implement plan for conversion. 	technical assistance workshops for faith-based and community organizations on how to apply for funding under the RD programs relevant to their social services activities. RD will continue work on regulatory changes to remove barriers to competition and on reducing barriers to free access in its Business and Industry programs. RD will submit an updated strategic outreach and technical assistance plan.	organization.) • Awaiting approval and issuance of control number from OMB for Rural Development's 'Equal Treatment Voluntary Survey.' Once this approval is granted, RD can send survey to FBCO's."

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Improved Credit Program Management Agency Lead: Charles Christopherson, Jr., Chief Financial Officer Jon Holladay, Acting Associate Chief Financial Officer Lead RMO Examiner: Jennifer Bell Lead Credit Analyst: Sarah Lyberg	Red Next ↑ est. by (tbd)	 Defines target borrower segments X serves target borrowers establishes and monitors risk standards Establishes or verifies sound lending policies and procedures X effective transaction approval processes effective loan portfolio management effective loss recovery processes Establishes or verifies sound collateral valuation processes implemented policies and procedures Maintains effective management information reporting identified and substantiated risk indicators implemented Controls costs established current cost estimates established benchmarks and goals reaches goals Debt Collection Improvement Act compliance Customer Satisfaction meets or exceeds industry standards 	Red \	 Actions Taken Since March 31st, 2007 Scheduled/canceled/rescheduled meetings to present USDA current collateral and vendor management strategies to OMB to address yellow criteria. Submitted draft of PTB V at the end of the quarter, but failed to have a meeting with OMB during the quarter to ensure that the necessary elements for all criteria are incorporated into the document and to allow milestones and achievements to be critiqued and improved. DCIA milestones were met. Planned Actions for Q4 FY 2007 Finalize the draft PTB document. This will now be the PTB V for FY 2008, which will include having a meeting with OMB, no later than July 15th, to discuss the PTB. Discuss with OMB USDA's current collateral and vendor management strategies. Risk Management: risk-factors and cash flow models will be evaluated and a plan to improve them will be implemented. Debt Collection Improvement Act Compliance June 2007 – Administrative Wage Garnishment is implemented. RD will develop baseline costs per loan. 	USDA will maintain red for status, and drop to red for progress. • USDA has been continuously working with OMB. However, some of the requirements for yellow and green status may require changes in their procedures and information gathering, which take time. As a result, they are expected to remain red on status even while achieving their goals on progress each quarter.